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Applicants: Mel MacAllister et al.
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**PETITION TO CONTEND OMITTED ITEMS WERE IN FACT DEPOSITED
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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.182, Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner to rule that the drawing sheet containing Figures 7-10 was not omitted in the nonprovisional application papers and to accept the enclosed copy of the drawing sheet containing Figures 7-10 in the subject application on the grounds that Applicants contend that the above-noted omitted item was in fact deposited in the US Patent and Trademark Office with the nonprovisional application papers.

In support of the Petition herein, Applicants submit a true copy of the return postcard bearing the stamp of the US Patent and Trademark Office and indicating that 4 drawing sheets were received.

In further support of Applicants' petition, enclosed please find a Declaration of Applicants' attorney, Robert R. Deleault. Applicants' attorney personally assembles all

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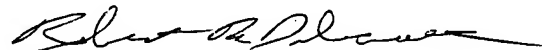
Granting of this petition would not and does not prejudice the public's interest in the subject matter of the present application or public policy since Applicants response is still within the one-year period in which to claim the benefit of Applicants' provisional application, which was filed on August 22, 2001.

In view of the above, Applicants respectfully request that this petition be granted and that the petition fee be refunded.

A petition fee in the amount of \$130.00 is enclosed in connection with this Petition.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: 5/14/02



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